

AN ACT

relating to the restrictions on political activities for a county elections administrator.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 31.035, Election Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(a) Except as provided by Subsection (d), a [A] county elections administrator may not be a candidate for a public office or an office of a political party, hold a public office, or hold an office of or position in a political party. At the time an administrator becomes a candidate or accepts an office or position in violation of this subsection, the administrator vacates the position of administrator.

(d) For a county with a population of less than 1,000, the county elections administrator may hold or be a candidate for a public office if:

(1) no part of the jurisdiction of the office is located in the county where the person serves as the elections administrator; and

(2) any election for that office is a nonpartisan election.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3055 was passed by the House on April 27, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 142, Nays 2, 3 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3055 was passed by the Senate on May 22, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor